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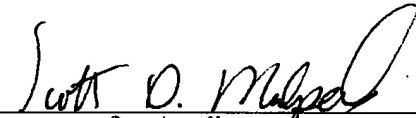
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For the Examiner's information, JP 64-70036 is discussed in the Background of the Invention section of the specification.

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